

YOUTH WORSHIP SERVICE

8 April 2023

Call to Worship

Pastor Charles Tan

Opening Prayer

Scripture Reading: Genesis 49:29-33

Rostered Pastor: Pastor Mitchell Tan

Message: "The Death of Jacob"

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Speaker: Pastor Charles Tan

Closing Prayer

Offering

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INTRODUCTION

1. Deaths of the Patriarchs recorded in Genesis

- a) Death of Abraham Genesis 25:1-11
- b) Death of Isaac Genesis 35:27-29
- c) Death of Jacob Genesis 49:29-33

2. Lessons to be learned

- a) About Life
- b) About Death

THE LIFE OF JACOB

1. The Life of Jacob (Geographically)

- a) In Canaan
- b) In Haran
- c) Back to Canaan
- d) In Egypt

2. The life of Jacob (Family)

- a) As sons of Isaac and Rebekah
- b) On his own in Haran
- c) Growing a Family amidst the deep hurts suffered
- d) Reconciliation in the family
- e) Last words of admonition to all his sons

SIGNIFICANT EPISODES IN JACOB'S LIFE

1. The Sinful life of Jacob in Haran

- a) Cheating Esau
 - i) Of his birthright
 - ii) Of his blessing
- b) Consequences
 - i) Fleeing from Esau in great fear
 - ii) Fleeing to Haran to seek Laban

2. The Salvation of Jacob

- a) God reached out to Jacob
- b) A ladder showing angels climbing up and down was seen
- c) Jacob turns to God in faith

3. The Serving years in Haran

- a) For the hand of Rachel
- b) The birth of many sons
- c) Seeing the futility of all his labour

4. Seeking God's help to return to Canaan safely

- a) Facing Wrath from Laban
- b) Facing the Fear of Esau
- c) Finding God's grace and mercy in prayer

5. Seeing much turmoil in the Family

- a) The wickedness of Simeon and Levi
- b) The wandering of Judah
- c) The "War" between Joseph and his brothers

6. The saddest years of Life in Canaan

- a) The Loss of Joseph
- b) The famine in the land
- c) The growing disaster of starvation during the famine
- d) The problem faced by the brothers in Egypt

7. Seeing Light at last

- a) Regaining of Happiness
- b) Reconciliation with Joseph
- c) Rejoicing in God and life again

8. Seeking to give words of wisdom

- a) Instructions from his deathbed
- b) Important Insights given to all the children
- c) Impending Death

THE DEATH OF JACOB

1. The Charge of Jacob

²⁹Then he charged them and said to them: "I am to be gathered to my people; bury me with my fathers in the cave that *is* in the field of Ephron the Hittite, ³⁰in the cave that *is* in the field of Machpelah, which *is* before Mamre in the land of Canaan, which Abraham bought with the field of Ephron the Hittite as a possession for a burial place. ³¹There they buried Abraham and Sarah his wife, there they buried Isaac and Rebekah his wife, and there I buried Leah. ³²The field and the cave that *is* there *were* purchased from the sons of Heth." ³³And when Jacob had finished commanding his sons, he drew his feet up into the bed and breathed his last, and was gathered to his people.

Genesis 49:29-33

2. Features of the Charge

- a) To be buried with his fathers in Machpelah
- b) In the land of Canaan

- c) Clarity of knowledge of Abraham's purchase of the family burial plot

CONCLUSION

1. Lessons to be learned about Life

- a) How we live matters
- b) Serious attention must be given to how we choose to live

2. Lessons to be learned about Death

- a) It must reflect our Faith
- b) It would be good to reflect a Faith that dates back to our forefathers